GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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PENSION TO EX SERVICEMEN
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government sanctioned pension to those Ex-Defence Servicesreservees who left service after their initial deployment and thereafter called up for active servicees and completed their qualifying period of services for pension but opted a lump sum payment on demobilisation;

(b) if so, whether such pension is already being paid to the promotee ex- servicemen but is yet to be paid to airforce ex-servicemen of the same category only due to the erroneous paper work on the part of the defence service organisation;

(c) whether the Government plans to take action to rectify this non payment to mitigate the hardship of such personnel who have well passed 70 years in age; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) An ex-gratia of Rs. 600/- p.m. plus Dearness Relief applicable from time totime has been granted to reservists subject to fulfillment of specified conditions.

(b) The ex-gratia of Rs. 600/- p.m. plus dearness relief is being paid to the reservists of Armed Forces, including Air Force.

(c) & (d): Does not arise in view of the position stated in (b) above.